

U.S. Application No. 09/680,371

BEST AVAILABLE COPY Case No. 09792909-4647**REMARKS**

Claims 1-13 are currently pending and under consideration.

In the Office Action of June 17, 2004, the objection to claims 1-13 was maintained because of certain claims not ending in a period and other informalities. The claims have been amended accordingly, and Applicants submit that this objection has been addressed.

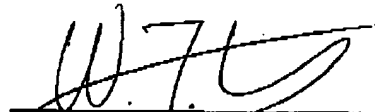
The nonstatutory double-patenting rejection of claims 11-13 over commonly owned Patent No. 6,440,585 ('585) was maintained because the Terminal Disclaimer filed by Applicants in order to overcome this rejection did not appear in the application record. Although Applicants' records indicate that said Terminal Disclaimer was filed, in order to expedite prosecution, enclosed is a copy thereof to address this ground of rejection.

Claims 1-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite because of inconsistencies in the metes and bounds of the claims. The claims have been amended in order to correct these inconsistencies, and it is respectfully submitted that this rejection has been addressed and that the claims are now allowable.

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